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**BY HAND DELIVERY**

The Honorable Carlito Caliboso,  
Chairman Hawaii Public Utilities Commission  
465 South King Street  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Subject: Molokai Public Utilities, Inc, Waiola O Molokai, Inc. and Mosco, Inc  
("Utilities") HPUC Dockets 2008-0115 and 2008-0116,

Dear Chairman,

I write to you on behalf of my client, West Molokai Association ("WMA"), a formally organized group of residents and owners of real estate interests situated on the West End of Molokai.

On July 3, 2008, WMA filed Motions to Intervene in both of the above-referenced dockets. To date, neither Utilities nor the Consumer Advocate has objected to WMA's motions. The only other party to the proceeding, namely County of Maui, filed a pleading dated July 10, 2008, welcoming the participation of WMA in each of the proceedings.

In the Commission's Order of Investigation regarding a temporary rate increase for two of the three named utilities, it is proposed that the case proceed on an expedited basis. Press reports had indicated a final decision in the case may be rendered by the Commission as early as August 14, 2008.

The other proceeding (HPUC Docket 2008-0116,) commenced as a complaint, filed by the County of Maui, which proceeding presumably will advance at a less-accelerated pace.

In a related matter, the Hawaii Department of Health ("DOH") has issued orders invoking its emergency powers compelling the County of Maui to prepare to provide potable water in the event Utilities remain steadfast in their representation to terminate services at the end of August.

Given the DOH orders, it appears that the Public Utilities Commission has sufficient time to more properly assess the entire situation with witnesses testifying under oath, with regard to

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ongoing utility operations, the accounting of past utility operations, and the reliability of the principal parties' plans for the immediate future and for the longer term.

WMA made a presentation at the July 15, 2008 public hearing on Molokai. Its public comments were offered as a "non-party" in a non-evidentiary component of what may become a formal administration hearing, pursuant to Chapter 91, HawRevStat. If WMA is to offer facts in a fact-finding process, it is critical that WMA promptly be granted status as a party, with all the rights attendant thereto.

WMA has substantial interests in each of the above-referenced Commission proceedings, which were set forth in WMA's motions. Early favorable action on WMA's Motions to Intervene is deemed by WMA to be essential if WMA is to make meaningful contributions in the Commission's two proceedings.

It is respectfully requested that the Commission take favorable action on WMA's motions as quickly as possible, in order that WMA be placed on service lists to be timely informed of events as they occur in these proceedings.

Your considerations with regard to this request are appreciated.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. W. Milks", written in a cursive style.

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